



eBuy / Accounts Payable Users Group Meeting

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Alumni & Visitor's Center

BFS – Business & Financial Services

A Division of Business & Administration Services (BAS)



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Agenda

Staffing Update

(Ellery Triche)

 Independent Contractor Agreements: Updated Procedures

(Gae Purvis)

 Furniture Purchasing—Ordering Process & Upcoming Program Changes

(Kathy Ensign)

Hybrid Pro-Card FAQ's

(Dana Allen)





Staffing Updates





Accounts Payable

None

Procurement Services

- Pro-Card Administrator III
 David Ramos
- Procurement Analyst IV (Science & Research)

In Recruitment--Interviewing

 Procurement Analyst IV (Information Technology)

In Recruitment

Pro-Card Administrator IV
 On Hold





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Overview

UCOP has revised the policy and procedures to secure the services of an independent contractor.

We want to make sure we comply with state and federal laws regarding classification of workers as independent contractors or employees.

To ensure this occurs, we are incorporating an additional step in the local procurement process.

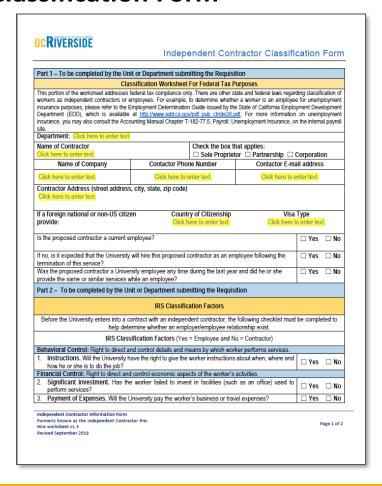
The purpose of today's review is to ensure all requests for purchase are in compliance by showing you the changes to the Independent Contractor Classification Form.



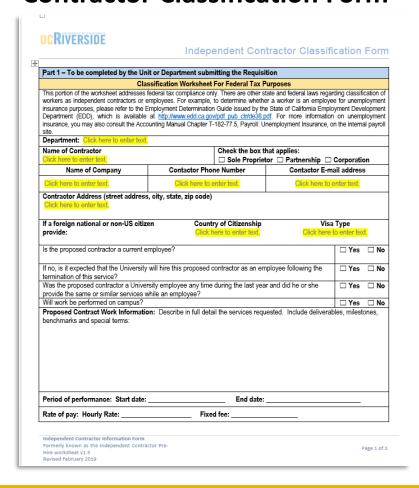


Independent Contractor Forms

Current Independent Contractor Classification Form



Updated Independent Contractor Classification Form







Independent Contractor Forms

The updated form is now requesting the following information:

- Will the work be performed on campus?
- Description of the work
- Dates of Service
- Rate of pay

П	Will work be performed on campus?	☐ Yes	□ No
	Proposed Contract Work Information: Describe in full detail the services requested. Include deliverable	es, milesto	nes,
	benchmarks and special terms:		
	Period of performance: Start date: End date:		
	Rate of pay: Hourly Rate: Fixed fee:		
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- Departments will now have to list reasons to support hiring the individual as an employee or reasons to support hiring the individual as a contractor. (See IRS Publication 1779 – link is in UCR Policy 750-27)
- The update requires the HR Policy Compliance Analyst to review completed documentation prior to submitting a purchase requisition. The Form should be emailed to hrpolicy@ucr.edu. Allow 2-4 days for HR to complete their review.
- <u>Certificates of Insurance</u>: Departments are still required to obtain a COI from the supplier *prior* to submitting the requisition
 - For more details about UC supplier/contractor insurance programs go to Campus Connexions at: ucriver.campusconnexionsuc.com





 Another important update is the Agreement term <u>CANNOT</u> exceed a total of 12 months

• Reminders:

- O Department's should complete the Potential Conflict of Interest Form if they wish to hire individuals who are near relatives, current, or former employees and have it reviewed by Procurement before submitting the purchase requisition. The new form is more streamlined and flows concurrently with the updated Independent Contractor Classification Form.
- Requests for Personal or Professional Services must be submitted as a purchase requisition regardless of the dollar amount. DAPO's are not allowed (as per Policy 750-39)





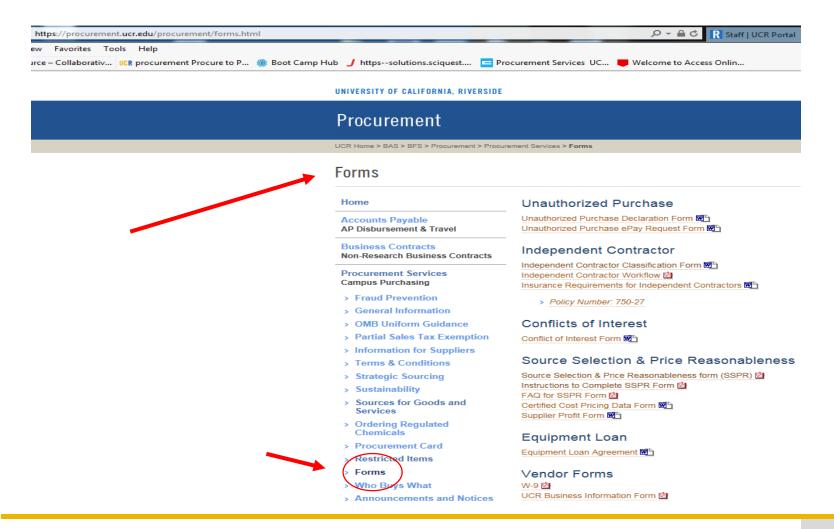
STEPS FOR PROCESSING:

- Complete Independent Contractor Classification form
- Submit form to Central Human Resources (hrpolicy@ucr.edu) to confirm if individual should be an independent contractor or employee
- If confirmed as an independent contractor, obtain Certificate of Liability Insurance. (For questions regarding insurance, contact Risk Management)
- If necessary, complete the Conflict of Interest form
- Attach all completed documents to the purchase requisition and submit to Procurement.



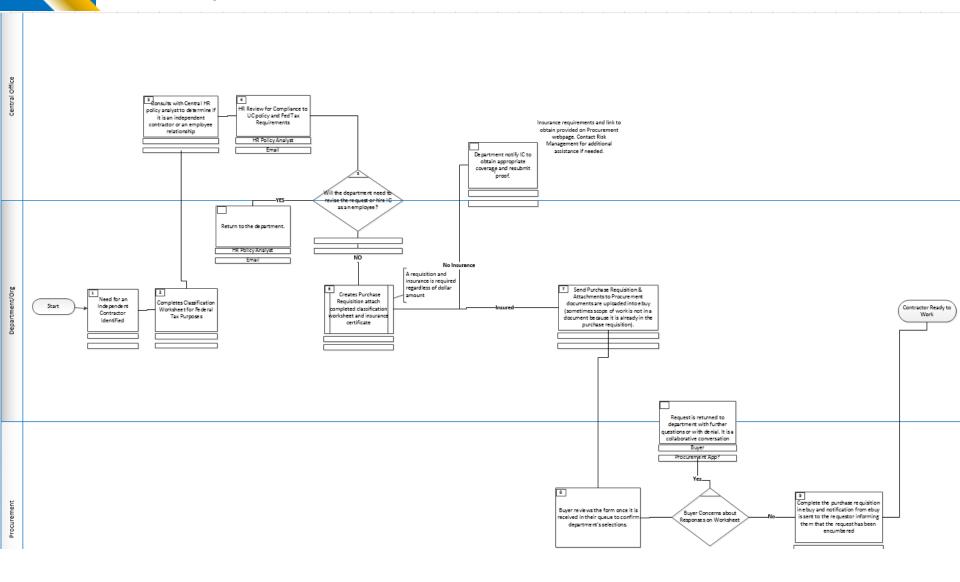


The Procurement webpage (procurement.ucr.edu) has all the necessary forms and additional information under the Forms tab:













Questions









Overview:

- eBuy Ordering
- Permit Approval Requirements
- Furniture & Fire Safety Requirements
- Purchase of Used Furniture
- UC Sustainability Policy





eBuy Ordering

- Steelcase is UC's Preferred Furniture Manufacturer (UC Agreement #2184)
 - BKM is the local distributor for Steelcase furniture and installation. They are <u>not</u> the preferred supplier for A/V products/services. (UC RFP in process for A/V)
 - Prevailing wage requirement
 - The agreement # must be referenced on all DAPO's for BKM orders
 - The P-Card is not used for furniture orders at this time
- All purchases should follow the applicable UC /UCR policies and procedures
- Current UC-Approved manufacturers for Ergonomic height adjustable desks & seating include:

Local Distributors

Grandstands
 Bluespace, Source One

Workrite
 Bluespace, Source One, BKM

SteelcaseBKM

Herman MillerG/M

Sitmatic chairs

Office Master chairs
 Bluespace, Source One





Permit Approval Requirements

 UCR established and posted a mandated furniture approval process online since 2018. The process requires:

Submit scaled floor plans including a diagram of electrical outlets for office spaces and furniture placement to ensure there are no obstructions to walkways or exits.

A floor plan is <u>required for modular furniture systems</u> with privacy walls (p-wall), electrical, or bolted to walls or floors.

- Complete a building permit application through the link on the A&E site: https://ae.ucr.edu/quality/qa.html
 - *Turnaround time is approximately 14 calendar days.
- Contact for Information and Requests for building permits:
 Lezlie Howard Project manager <u>Lezlie.Howard@ucr.edu</u>
- Freestanding furniture (e.g., height-adjustable desks, conference tables, and chairs) do not usually require a permit.





Furniture & Fire Safety Compliance

All office and campus residential furniture containing metals, foam, and fabrics must be rated to CA Fire Safety Standards (CA Standard TB-117)

Purchase documentation must include safety rating details.

- Obtain a cut sheet from the furniture dealer or manufacturer, which lists whether the fabric is fire-rated to TB-117.
- Obtain scaled drawing to show walkway distance for ADA requirements
- Submit the cut sheet and drawing to: UCR Fire Marshall, contact Michelle Griffen <u>michelle.griffen@ucr.edu</u>

Note: Most commercial distributors (e.g., BKM, Bluespace Interiors, G/M Business Interiors, and Krueger) meet the TB-117 requirements





PLAN REVIEW & PERMIT PROGRAM IS REQUIRED

Permit Required- System Furniture Installation: (Modular workstations include P-Walls, doors, overhead bookshelves attached to the wall, or any furniture requiring construction, or attachments to floors and/or walls.) ☐ Allow time for the Plan Review approval process ☐ Apply for Campus Building Permit Application https://ae.ucr.edu/quality/qa.html Submit electronic documents with Application To: Lezlie.howard@ucr.edu ☐ Plan of overall Building and floor locations of installation (Contact your Dept. Space Planner) ☐ Floor plans with room dimensions, proposed furniture arrangement and/or equipment (Vendor to provide) ☐ Specify if new electrical & data are required ☐ Room elevation plans including ceiling height dimensions and sprinkler head, Smoke Detector, HVAC and other locations (Request from Nelly Zaki @ nelly.zaki@ucr.edu) ☐ Manufacturer furniture cuts sheets, desk widths, and partition wall height dimensions (Vendor to provide) ☐ Installation/connection details for the walls to the existing walls, floors and deck above. This is required for each installation. (Vendor to provide) ☐ Once the work is completed, request a final inspection and a final inspection will be conducted. If approved, the permit will be signed as approved and complete http://ucr.cforms.net. Contact Lezlie.howard@ucr.edu for access **Furniture Exempt from Campus Building Permit** (Chairs, sofas, patio furniture, general classroom desks, interior finishes) plaster or wood, or applied materials such as wallpaper, paint, or trim. ☐ Submit dimensioned Floorplan with detailed location of proposed furniture ☐ Submit Cut Sheets or Specification on furniture flammability ☐ Upholstered Furniture Certification TB117 ☐ Interior Finishes must reference CBC Chapter 8- (plaster or wood, or applied materials such as wallpaper, paint, or trim.

Submit Plans To: Michelle Griffen @ michelle.griffen@ucr.edu — Assistant to Fire Marshal (The Campus Fire Inspectors, Cesar Pla & Xavier Martinez, will review and approve)

<u>Facilities Services Dept:</u> Identifies electrical & power connections on plans Schedules with Department <u>ITS:</u> Identifies data requirements Schedules with Department





Used Furniture Purchases

We should not assume that used furniture is rated to CA Fire Standards. Department Transactors must contact the Campus Procurement Buyer prior to engaging with a used furniture dealer. Procurement will review the dealer's: warranty, registration with DIR for cubicle installation, acceptance of UC payment terms, and seek to avoid furniture deposits.



Note:

- 1. For safety reasons, the Campus Fire Marshall discourages use of personal furniture on campus, unless it has been approved in writing
- 2. Staff and Faculty should not purchase and request reimbursement for furniture items





Furniture must follow UC Sustainable Procurement Guidelines

https://www.ucop.edu/procurement-services/_files/sustainableprocurementguidelines.pdf

- Look for furniture with metals and fabrics that are free of the "6-classes" of hazardous additives including: Cadmium, Mercury, Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC), Toxic Chemicals, and anti-microbial agents.
- Ensure seat cushion foam, laminate desktops, chair fabrics, and privacy panels meet UC Sustainability Procurement Guidelines. (Reference p. 17 of Sustainable Procurement Guidelines.pdf)
- Indoor Furniture must meet:
 - GreenGuard Gold or Advantage Gold, or BIFMA Level requirements





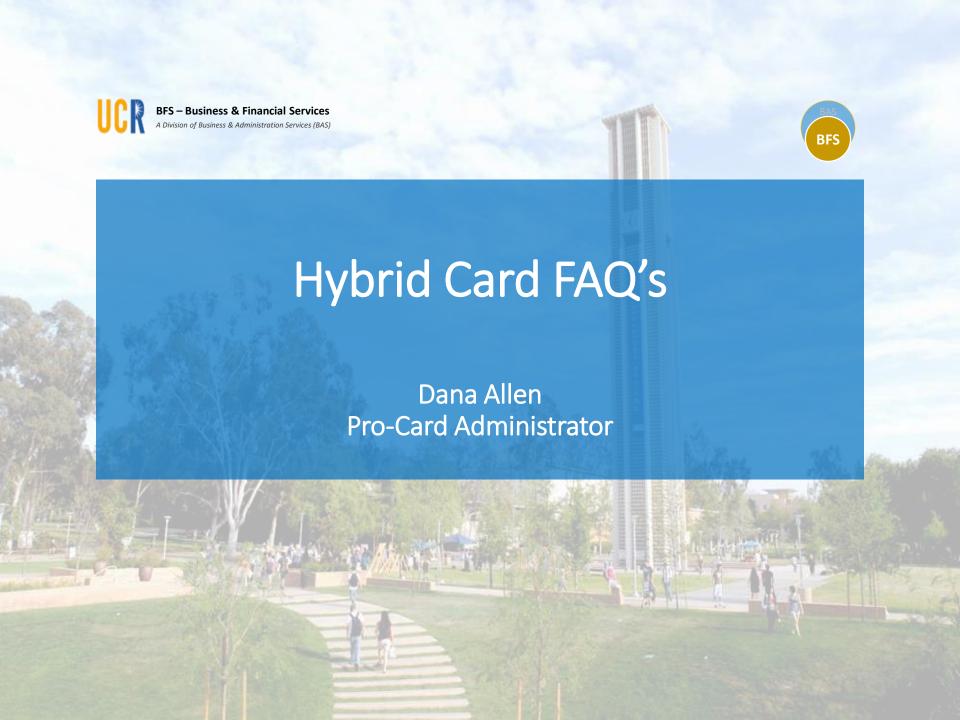


UC Sustainable Procurement (Cont'd)

Additional guidelines for **sustainable furniture purchases**:

- Should be free of flame retardant chemicals
- Shall comply with BIFMA e3-2014, sustainability Standard, which means containing none or reduced Formaldehyde and Volatile Organic Compounds. (VOC's.)
- Should be free of added or built in Antimicrobials
- Should be free of polyvinylchloride (PVC) greater than 1% of product by weight







Hybrid P-Card FAQs

Is ground transportation allowed on the P-card?

No

Only airfare is an allowable option. Reservations and payments for car rentals, shuttles, taxi's, buses, etc. must be obtained and paid using a Corporate T&E card or personal credit card. Subject to travel policy and pre-approval requirements.

 Are incidental and add-on travel related expenses (e.g. meals not included in the conference registration fee parking, internet, gas, or other vehicle services) allowed on the P-Card?

<u>No</u>

These expenses must be paid via the Corporate T&E card or personal credit card and submitted in iTravel for reimbursement. UC Travel Policy (G-28) and P-Card Policy #750 are applicable.





Hybrid P-Card FAQs

 Can the P-Card be used with third party suppliers (e.g., Travelocity, Priceline)?

<u>No</u>

Most often these transactions will decline on the P-Card since these entities do not fall under the Hybrid P-Card use.

 How do I identify on a receipt if a P-Card was used versus a Corporate T&E card or Personal credit card?

The last 4-digits of the card used should appear on the suppliers receipt/invoice. The Department Card Assistant (DCA) will see P-Card transactions post on the P-Card Aging Report default FAU 780315 to reconcile. When moving the expense, the DCA should include the Trip ID# in the PCT entry, and the Travel Coordinator must list the expense on the travelers Trip ID in iTravel as Prepaid via P-Card. Corporate Card and personal credit card transactions do not post to the P-Card Aging Report.





Hybrid P-Card FAQ's

Can the P-Card be used when personal travel is involved?

No

This may be considered misuse of University funds. Personal expenses should never be charged to or temporarily funded by the University.

My traveler's itinerary includes personal days/stops. We completed an airfare comparison showing the personal time does not increase the cost.

Can we book the airfare on the P-Card?

No, you cannot mix personal expenses/time using the card. You must use another method of payment for the intended travel and be reimbursed.





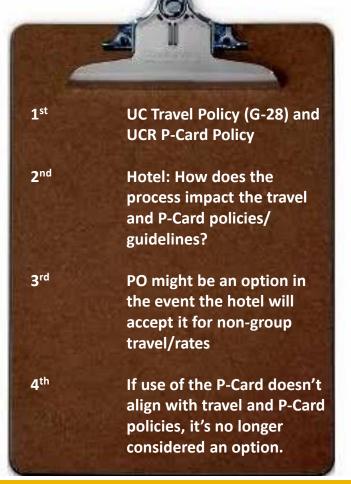


Hybrid P-Card Best Practices

What should travel coordinators and P-Card cardholders take into consideration before using the P-Card for airfare and/or

hotel reservations/payment?

Review approved travel information and determine the best available <u>option</u> to reserve/pay for hotel given the supplier's information. As discussed use of the available <u>options</u> (P-Card, Corp Card, personal credit card or PO) should be determined on a case-by-case basis only:







Hybrid P-Card FAQs

• Is it ok to add my P-Card to a traveler's profile?

No

It's not recommended. The P-Card should never be placed in a file or document that the traveler or others have access to view/use. This is referenced on the P-Card Agreement Form and signed by Cardholders. "Item #2: I agree that as a designated cardholder for my department I cannot transfer use, assign use, or give access to use my card to anyone."

 Can a higher class airfare rate be purchased on the Pcard for travelers that have a documented medical accommodation requirement?

<u>Yes</u>

Provided the doctor's note requiring this accommodation is in place prior to purchasing the airfare via P-Card. The original doctor's note must be marked "Confidential" & sent via intercampus mail to the Travel Desk to keep on file. Notations must be added to all iTravel Trip ID's via the comments section: Doctor's note for accommodation on file with the Accounting Office.

Recommended: Coordinate within the department' Admin Unit: P-Card Cardholder, Travel Coordinator <u>and</u> internal HR point of contact.





Hybrid P-Card FAQs

Can a conference registration fee be paid on the Pcard?

Yes

Implemented Aug-2018. Best practice is for the Cardholder and FO are aware of registration information: Agenda/itinerary, cancellation policies, meals and lodging (included or separate) prior to payment.

Ensure all additional costs for expenses to include meals, extra tours, parking, internet, etc. <u>not covered</u> with the actual conference registration are paid on the Corporate T&E or personal credit card.

- Agenda/Itinerary: Show what's included with the conference registration.
- Cancellation policies: Is an alternate allowed to attend in place of the person initially registered? Full, partial refund or credit only?
- The registration fee must be recorded on iTravel as "prepaid" via P-card.





Reminders: P-Card/T&E Do's & Don'ts

Do's

- Airfare, lodging for business travel for others can be paid via the P-Card.
- Use Connexxus to book through UC's Preferred Travel Agencies.
- Remember to manually register trips booked outside of Connexxus or via SWABIZ, on the Risk Services website and complete the Traveler Insurance form <u>before</u> an out-ofstate trip occurs.
- Establish a "Trip" in iTravel before charging travel expenses on the P-Card.
- Reference the trip number on travel related payments paid via a P-Card and on the PCT.
- Process travel related payments paid via a P-Card as **prepaid items** on the travel expense claim, <u>even if no reimbursement of expenses</u> is due to the traveler.
- Conference registration can be paid via the P-Card.

Don'ts

- Airfare that contain any personal legs of travel. (i.e. a destination other than the primary business destination) may not be purchased on a P-Card.
- The P-Card cannot be used for meals.
- The P-Card cannot be given to a traveler to take on a trip (unless he/she is the P-Card holder).













Questions??

Send Your Questions To:

Purchasing & eBuy: ebuyhelp@ucr.edu
Procurement Card: procard@ucr.edu

Travel: <u>travelfeedback@ucr.edu</u>